

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A method, comprising:

receiving an activate signal activating a video email feature; the activated video email feature:

sending a start clip signal responsive to said activate signal, [[:]]

storing streaming video as an e-mail video clip responsive to said start clip signal, [[:]]

receiving an end of clip signal, [[:]]

launching an e-mail message in an e-mail application responsive to said end of clip signal, and [[:]]

automatically attaching said e-mail video clip as an attachment to said e-mail message without user interaction responsive to the end of clip signal; and

transmitting the e-mail video clip as an attachment to said e-mail message to one or more selected recipient.

2. (previously presented) A method in accordance with claim 1, further comprising attaching said e-mail video clip compressed in a default compression format and before transmitting, presenting an option for selecting a different compression method.

3. (previously presented) A method in accordance with claim 1, wherein receiving said end of clip signal is responsive to a timeout of a timer.

4. (currently amended) A telecommunications device, comprising:

a video input device for generating video images, said video input device including a video control input selectively providing a start video e-mail command signal and an end of clip signal, said video input device streaming video images;

a monitor for displaying said video images; and

a Web Access device including an e-mail module and a video control module activated by said start video e-mail command signal, said Web Access device configured to receive streaming video from said video input device responsive to said activated video control module, said e-mail module a start video e-mail command signal to said video control input, an end of clip signal to said video control input automatically opening an e-mail message in an e-mail compose window and attaching a video clip of said streaming video, without user interaction, to the e-mail message responsive to said activated video control module receiving said end of clip signal, said clip attached to said e-mail message being transmitted to one or more selected recipient.

5. (previously presented) A telecommunications device in accordance with claim 4, wherein signals from said video control module are provided responsive to a switch associated with said video input device.

6. (previously presented) A telecommunications device in accordance with claim 4, wherein said Web Access device further includes a compression control module selecting a compression format for each transmitted clip attached to an e-mail message and signals from said video control module are provided responsive to a remote control switch associated with said video input device.

7. (previously presented) A telecommunications device in accordance with claim 4, wherein signals from said video control module comprise a signal from a graphical user interface.

8. (previously presented) A telecommunications device according to claim 4, wherein said monitor is a television screen and said end of clip signal is provided responsive to a timer timeout.

9. (previously presented) A telecommunications device according to claim 8, wherein said Web Access Device comprises a personal computer and further includes a video control module supervising reception and storage of video clips, a compression control module selecting a compression format for each transmitted clip attached to an e-mail message and an e-mail control module activating and controlling e-mailing.

10. (currently amended) A method, comprising:

providing a video input device for generating video images, said video input device including a video control input selectively providing a start video e-mail command signal and an end of clip signal, said video input device streaming video images;

providing a monitor for displaying said video images; and

providing a Web Access device including an e-mail module and a video control module activated by said start video e-mail command signal, said Web Access device configured to receive streaming video from said video input device responsive to activating said video control module, [[and]] automatically open an e-mail message in an e-mail compose window responsive to an end of clip video e-mail command signal to said activated video control module, said activated video control module causing input and attach a video clip from said streaming video images to be attached to the open e-mail message responsive to the end of clip video e-mail command signal for transmission as an e-mail attachment to one or more selected recipient.

11. (previously presented) A method in accordance with claim 10, wherein signals from said video control module are provided responsive to a switch associated with said video input device.

12. (previously presented) A method in accordance with claim 10, wherein signals from said video control module are provided responsive to a remote control.

13. (previously presented) A telecommunications device in accordance with claim 10, signals from said video control module comprising a signal from a button associated with a graphical user interface.

14. (previously presented) A method in accordance with claim 10, wherein said monitor is a television screen and said end of clip signal is provided responsive to a timer timeout.

15. (previously presented) A method in accordance with claim 10, wherein said Web Access Device comprises a personal computer and further includes a video control module supervising reception and storage of video clips, a compression control module selecting a compression format for each transmitted clip attached to an e-mail message and an e-mail control module activating and controlling e-mailing.

16. (currently amended) A telecommunications system, comprising:

a local area network; and

a video e-mail system coupled to said local area network, the video e-mail system including:

a video input device for generating video images, said video input device including a video control input selectively providing a start video e-mail command signal and an end of clip video e-mail command signal, said video input device streaming video images:

a monitor for displaying said video images; and

a Web Access device including an e-mail module and a video control module activated by said start video e-mail command signal, said Web Access device configured to receive streaming video responsive to activating a start video e-mail command signal ~~from~~ said video control module [[input]] and responsive to said end of clip video e-mail command signal to said activated video control module, without user interaction automatically open an e-mail message in an e-mail compose window with a video clip of said streaming video attached ~~without user interaction, and responsive to an end of clip video e-mail command signal~~ for transmission as an e-mail attachment to one or more selected recipient.

17. (previously presented) A telecommunications device in accordance with claim 16, wherein at least one recipient is another entity on said LAN.

18. (previously presented) A telecommunications device in accordance with claim 16, wherein at least one recipient is an entity external to said LAN.

19. (currently amended) A telecommunications device, comprising:

a video input device for capturing video, said video input device including a video control input selectively providing a start video e-mail command signal and an end of clip signal, said video input device streaming video images; and

a Web Access device including an e-mail module and a video control module activated by said start video e-mail command signal, said Web Access device configured to receive streamed said video from said video input device, storing streaming video in a video clip file responsive to activating said video control module and responsive to said end of clip signal to said activated video control module, ~~a start video e-mail command signal from said video control input and~~ automatically opening an e-mail message and attaching said video clip file ~~responsive to an end of clip signal ending storing streaming video~~, said e-mail message with said attached video clip being sent to one or more selected recipient.

20. (previously presented) A telecommunications device in accordance with claim 19, wherein an end of a clip signal is a manual end of clip command.

21. (previously presented) A telecommunications device in accordance with claim 19, wherein an end of a clip signal is provided responsive to a predetermined default end of clip period.

22. (currently amended) A telecommunications device, comprising:

a video input device for streaming video, said video input device including a video control input selectively providing a start video e-mail command signal and an end of clip signal, said video input device streaming video images;

a monitor for displaying said video images; and

a Web Access device including an e-mail module and a video control module activated by said start video e-mail command signal, said Web Access device configured to receive streaming video from said video input device responsive to activating said video control module and responsive to said end of clip signal to said activated video control module, without user

interaction a start video e-mail command signal from said video control input and automatically open an e-mail and attach a video clip of streamed video, ~~without user interaction, responsive to an end of clip video e-mail command signal,~~ the e-mail being transmitted with the attached clip.